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THE AI VICTIMS PASS TO THEIR LAST REST.



The bodies of the nine seamen of the AI were borne to their graves at Haslar Naval Cemetery, near Portsmouth, on three gun-carriages. Behind them came the two gun-carriages bearing the bodies of Lieut. Mansergh and Sub-Lieut. Churchill. The eleven men had lived together, and died together, and the eleven bodies were laid side by side.—(Photograph by Cribb, Southsea.)

YESTERDAY'S WEDDING.

PRINCESS'S BROTHER.

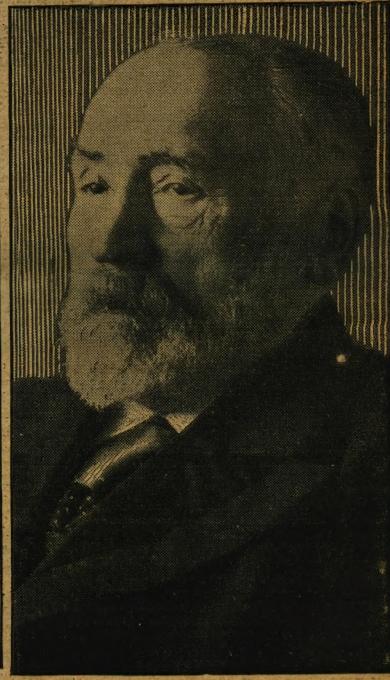
EDITOR OF "TRUTH" ILL.



Miss Angela Constable-Maxwell, the second daughter of Lord and Lady Herries, who was married yesterday to Mr. Eric Drummond at Evingham Park, near York. She is the sister of the Duchess of Norfolk, who was married in the same chapel only a few weeks ago.—(Photograph by Lafayette.)



With brotherly warmth Prince Adolphus of Teck greeted the Princess of Wales at Vienna.—(Photograph, Russell and Sons.)



Mr. Henry Labouchere, the editor of "Truth," is seriously ill at Florence, and his friends are in some anxiety as to his recovery.—(Photograph by Elliott and Fry.)

## ALEXEIEFF RESIGNS.

Court Influence Said To Have Driven Him from Power.

## ARMIES FACE TO FACE.

Outposts Fighting and Decisive Battle Imminent.

## MAKHAROFF'S BODY RECOVERED.

Russia's troubles have been accentuated by the resignation of Admiral Alexeieff, which is reported from several quarters, and is said to have been accepted by the Tsar.

Chagrin at being practically ignored in matters of moment, and incensed at the appointment of an officer unfriendly to himself in the person of Admiral Skrydloff to command the Pacific fleet, are said to be the motives which have prompted the Tsar's Viceroy to throw up his post.

Great activity is being displayed by the Japanese, both in the direction of capturing Port Arthur and forcing the passage of the Yalu. Following upon a report that a battle is raging near Port Arthur, comes news of a landing having been effected at Newchwang.

On the Yalu there have been several skirmishes between outposts. The main bodies are practically in touch, and both sides fully believe that a decisive engagement is imminent.

Many bodies of the victims of the Petropavlovsk are being washed ashore, and it is believed that the body of Admiral Makharov has been recovered.

## ALEXEIEFF'S POSITION.

Resents Being Superseded by Hostile Officers.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Wednesday.**  
It is reported on good authority that Admiral Alexeieff has applied to the Emperor by telegraph for permission to resign his post of Viceroy of the Far East.

According to information derived from well-informed quarters, the Viceroy has latterly found himself practically superseded, except as regards the civil administration.

General Kurokupkin, who was an allowed opponent of the Viceroy's forward policy, was appointed to the chief command of the Army in the Far East. Now Admiral Skrydloff, who is known to be hostile to the Viceroy, and one of his sharpest critics, has been appointed successor to the gallant officer who went down in the Petropavlovsk, the nomination being made in St. Petersburg without reference to the Viceroy of the Far East.—Reuter.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Wednesday.**

While no official announcement has been made concerning Admiral Alexeieff's reported resignation, there is reason to believe that the news is correct.—Reuter.

**PARIS, Wednesday.**

In official circles here it is now regarded as certain that Admiral Alexeieff has tendered his resignation, and that it has been accepted.—Exchange.

## LAND BATTLE RUMOURED.

**JAPANESE EFFECT LANDING AT NEWCHWANG.**

A rumour was in circulation at St. Petersburg yesterday that a Japanese force has effected a landing near Newchwang.

**PARIS, Wednesday.**

A correspondent at Yingkow telegraphs:—

"Serious events are evidently transpiring in the Liao-tung peninsula. I am informed that a fresh battle is raging in the environs of Port Arthur, but the censorship is most severe."—Exchange.

**PARIS, Wednesday.**

A dispatch from the Russian capital says there are persistent rumours of a fresh attack on Port Arthur.—Reuter.

According to a Tokio message, two complete divisions of the Japanese army sailed from Shimonoseki on Tuesday on 129 transports. The expedition took a northerly course.

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Contact mines have been found floating forty miles from Shantung promontory. Three were destroyed by the Japanese fleet.

The two Japanese spies who were arrested on the railway have been hanged. One of them said he was a prince of the blood royal.

Russia has qualified her recent order by saying that correspondents using wireless telegraphy to supply information to the enemy will be treated as spies.

## KING AT EPSOM.

His Majesty Looks Well After His Trip Abroad.

## THOUSANDS CHEER HILL.

The King visited the Epsom Spring Meeting yesterday.

His Majesty travelled by train from Victoria, and reached the course at 1.20.

Lord Farquhar was in attendance upon His Majesty, who arrived on the course just in time to witness the decision of the first race. It was at once seen that his trip to Denmark had done the King a great deal of good. There was a tinge of the North Sea upon his cheeks, and the general remark, even from those outside the distant rails, was "how well he looks."

There is never a crowd outside the doorway to the royal stand when the King attends Epsom races; only a few, most of them American cousins, to whom a view of His Majesty is a rarity, or even an absolute novelty. His Majesty alighted from his pair horse, brougham, smiled and bowed to the deep obeisance of those who had gathered to meet him, and passed out of sight, only to reappear a few minutes later in his favour, bent on the royal balcony. There he was the cynosure of thousands of eyes, and, as always, his appearance was the signal for a ringing cheer.

Contrary to his usual custom, His Majesty did not descend to the lawn in front of the royal enclosure. This was perhaps a very great disappointment to many in the loyal mob who remained the day, not so very long ago, when, as Prince of Wales, His Majesty, in company with the late Lord William Beresford and the Earl of Durham, laughingly stood for his portrait to a boy lighting a toonist, in whose trembling little hand he afterwards placed a golden portrait of his royal mother. The child is now a stalwart youth, but still preserves the memento of his Sovereign. His Majesty waited until nearly the close of the day's proceedings, missing the last race only.

## PRINCE'S VIENNA VISIT.

**VIENNA, Wednesday.**

The Prince and Princess of Wales visited the tombs of the Hapsburgs in the vaults of the Capuchin Church to-day, and laid a beautiful wreath of yellow tulips on the coffin of the late Crown Prince Rudolf, and a wreath of white roses on that of the late Empress.

Their Royal Highnesses afterwards visited the monastery. Owing to the Order being strictly enclosed women visitors are not allowed within the monastery walls, but the prohibition has been removed by Papal dispensation in the case of members of reigning houses. The Princess was permitted to enter the refectory to inspect the valuable paintings there.—Reuter.

## FORCING THE YALU.

**TROOPS IN READINESS FOR IMMINENT BATTLE.**

**ST. PETERSBURG, Wednesday.**

It was stated yesterday at headquarters that the Russian and Japanese outposts on the Yalu had several sharp skirmishes, but no serious engagement. They are each watching each other's movements. It is believed, however, that a collision is imminent.—Reuter.

**SEUL, Wednesday.**

The Japanese authorities here admit that constant skirmishing is going on between the opposing armies on the Yalu. News of an engagement may be expected at any moment. It is estimated that the Russians on the Yalu now number 50,000.—Reuter.

## TRANSPORTS REPORTED SUNK.

**PARIS, Wednesday.**

A telegram from St. Petersburg says it was rumoured yesterday that the Vladivostok squadron had sunk several transports filled with Japanese troops.

According to another version, two Japanese cruisers had been damaged or sunk in a fight with the Vladivostok squadron.

No confirmation of these reports has been received at the Ministry of War.—Reuter.

## DEAD ADMIRAL.

**MAKHAROFF'S BODY BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN RECOVERED.**

**PARIS, Wednesday.**

According to a telegram to the "Journal," many corpses are being thrown up by the sea on the shores near Port Arthur. Most of them are disfigured, but it is believed that the body of Admiral Makharov has been recovered. If this supposition is confirmed, the body will be conveyed to St. Petersburg in great state.—Reuter.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Wednesday.**

A telegram from Port Arthur gives the account of a midshipman who was saved from the Petropavlovsk. He says:—

"All those who stood on the side of the bridge, including Admiral Makharov, were injured, evidently by the explosion, and perished. Although all was over in two minutes, an amateur photographer succeeded in taking a photograph of the sinking vessel."

## MAKHAROFF'S RESOLVE.

Shortly before his death, Admiral Makharov, referring to the Japanese fleet, said:—

"Not one ship is sunk; not one taken. In future we shall fight to sink or take the ships of the enemy, or perish in the attempt."—Reuter.

## £2,000,000 FIRE.

**TORONTO DESOLATED BY A TERRIBLE CONFLAGRATION.**

## FIFTY ACRES BURNED.

Toronto was yesterday desolated by a great fire, which has destroyed £2,000,000 worth of property.

The fire began in a soap factory in Wellington-street West late at night, and the flames spread so rapidly that all efforts to stop them were fruitless. After six hours the conflagration burned itself out, a district of fifty acres having been devastated.

Firemen came from Buffalo, Hamilton, and other towns, and they used dynamite freely to blow up buildings in the hope of checking the progress of the fire.

A strong breeze that was blowing added to their difficulties, and the flames leaped so high that the country around was illuminated so that objects were as clearly distinguishable as in daytime.

One of the most thrilling incidents was the destruction of the Queen's Hotel. Hundreds of guests were in the house, and some of them had most exciting escapes.

Nearly all the buildings in the path of the fire were reduced to ruins, the area destroyed extending along both sides of the street front.

Mr. Thompson, the chief of the fire brigade, had to leap from a sixty-foot building for his life. He and his assistant, George Dowkes, were directing operations from a high roof when they were cut off by the flames. Mr. Thompson, jumping to the ground, escaped with a broken leg. His assistant perished in the flames.

## CHURCH DISORDERS.

**ROYAL COMMISSION APPOINTED TO DISCUSS RITUALISM.**

Mr. Balfour announced in the Commons yesterday afternoon the names of the members of the Royal Commission on Ecclesiastical Disorders. They were as follows:—

Sir Michael Hicks Beach, late Chancellor of the Exchequer, chairman:

The Archishop of Canterbury.

The Bishop of Northampton.

Sir E. John, the President of the Prolocute and Diocesan Divisions.

He is the eldest son of the late Bishop of Peterborough.

Sir John Kenaway, C.B., M.P. for Brighton, President of the Church Missionary Society and the London Board of Poor Relief Committee among the Jews.

Mr. John Gilbert Talton, M.P. for Oxford University, Vice-Chairman of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, Chairman of the West Kent Sessions, and Ecclesiastical Commissioner.

Sir Edward Hoare, of the famous banking family, M.P. for Norwich, Lieutenant of the City of London, and member of the House of Laymen.

Sir Edward Clarke, R.C. for Bolton, one of the Chancery Clerks of the Court of Appeal.

Sir Edward Ton of Dilke, Dean of the Arches, Auditor of the Chamber Court of York, Master of the Faculties, and member of the Canterbury House of Laymen since 1888.

Rev. Dr. S. J. Gurney, M.A., formerly Rector of one-time Principal of Wells Theological College and Hon. Chaplain to the late Queen Victoria.

Rev. Thomas Worth Drury, Principal of Ridley Hall.

Professor George W. Prothero, President of the Royal Historical Society, Fellow of the British Academy, and Editor of the Quarterly Review.

Mr. G. C. G. B. Bolton, one of the founders of the Church Reform Union. He was ordained deacon and served three years at St. Anne's, a town and country church in Lancashire, in the endeavour to widen the sphere of the diaconate.

They are appointed to inquire into the alleged prevalence of breaches and neglect of the law relating to the conduct of divine service in the Church of England and to the ordinances of different churches, and to consider the existing powers and procedure applicable to such irregularities, and to make such recommendations as may be deemed necessary for dealing with the aforesaid matter.

Mr. Austin Taylor raised a point on the question of the composition of the Commission, and asked for a debate, which was granted.

## AVANCHE HORRORS.

**MOUNTAIN VILLAGES OVERWHELMED AND INHABITANTS KILLED.**

**TURIN, Tuesday.**

In the commune of Frabato (Turin) yesterday an avalanche destroyed some huts occupied by miners, of whom one hundred were overwhelmed.

Twenty-five managed to save themselves.

In spite of a heavy storm which prevails this morning the inhabitants and the troops are making every effort to reach the spot where the men are buried, the snow having this year accumulated in enormous masses on the mountains.—Reuter.

**BREG (Switzerland), Wednesday.**

An avalanche broke away from the Spitzhorn between one and two o'clock yesterday day morning and swept the whole hamlet of Machabach, consisting of eleven houses and three mills. Of the twenty inhabitants who were surprised in their beds, thirteen perished. Other accidents are feared, the snow having this year accumulated in enormous masses on the mountains.—Reuter.

## WHOLE COUNTRY TRAINLESS.

**BUDAPEST, Wednesday.**

A strike has broken out on all the Hungarian State railways, and traffic is completely at a standstill. Only trains of the Southern Railway, which is a private concern, are leaving Budapest.

The cause of the strike is that the Bill regulating the wages of the railway officials, which was laid before the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet one day ago, has caused general disappointment among the men, who demand an increase of pay.

The Orient express trains from Paris to Constantinople and vice versa are being discontinued, although their departure is greatly delayed.

Nine hundred and fifty railway employees have been arrested. Count Tisza has given orders for the military to be summoned to assist in the re-establishment of order, and for the Railway and Telegraph Regiment to be employed in working the service.—Reuter.

**STRAND THEATRE.**

Proprietor and Manager, Mr. FRANK CURZON. A CHINESE HONEY-MONDAY, 8.30 P.M. DANCE, MUSIC, &c. TUESDAY, 8.30 P.M. MATINEE. WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, 2.30 P.M.

THE OXFORD.—MISS MARY LLOYD, in a new song, "Madame Sans-Gêne." R. G. KNOWLTON.

HARRY LAUDER. HARRY LEWIS. THE McNaughtons.

ELIZABETH COOPER. Proceeds at 8.15, by a QUEEN'S MESSANGER.

ST. JAMES'S.—MR. GEORGE ALEXANDER will appear EVERY EVENING, 8.30, in SATURDAY TO MONDAY.

## FEWER PUBLIC HOUSES.

Steps Towards a Reduction in Their Number Proposed by the New Licensing Bill.

## COMPENSATION PROVIDED.

Brewster Sessions (according to the measure introduced yesterday in the Commons) are no longer to have the power to refuse a public-house licence on the ground that it is not wanted.

This power is to be exercised by Quarter Sessions alone.

All licence-holders dispossessed on the "not wanted" ground are to be compensated.

The amount of compensation to be paid them will be the difference between the value of their licensed premises and the price which such premises would fetch if they were not licensed.

The compensation fund is to be provided in each locality either by friendly agreement between Quarter Sessions and the "Trade," or by a special licence duty, levied on all public-houses according to their value. On houses under £15 a year it will be £1; under £20, £2; and so on up to £150 a year.

These are the features of the new Licensing Bill, which the Home Secretary introduced into the House of Commons yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Akers-Douglas made quite a short speech. He began by recalling the reasons for the Bill. Everyone, he said, wanted to see the number of public-houses reduced, but he could not help saying that many magistrates sitting at Brewster Sessions had inflicted hardship upon innocent persons by taking away licences on the ground that they were not wanted.

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The sum available for extinguishing licences will be £1,000,000 a year, if quarter sessions raise the full amount they will be entitled to raise. It ought to be possible, therefore, to abolish a large number of public-houses within the next few years.

Sir Wilfrid Lawson and Mr. Whittaker, two pronounced teetotalers, utterly opposed the Bill. They object to compensation altogether. Several members on the Government side gave the measure their approval, but Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said he should strenuously oppose it.

The Prime Minister, however, declared that the Leader of the Opposition recognised neither law nor justice in his treatment of the question. The publician was not a wild beast to be hunted down, and the present law, which was irrational and illogical, ought to be altered for their benefit.

## READ A FIRST TIME.

Loud cheers greeted the announcement of the result of the motion for leave to introduce the Bill, the Government receiving a majority of 167.

The figures were as follows:—

For the introduction	314.
Against	147.

Majority	167.
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The Bill was read a first time.

## AMUSEMENTS.

HYMARKET.—TO-NIGHT, at 9. JOSEPH ENTANGLLED. By Henry Arthur Jones. Proceeds at 8.30 by THE WIDOW WOODS.

MATINEE EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, 2.20.

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.—MR. TREE. TO-NIGHT AND EVERY EVENING AT 9.15.

THE DARLING OF THE GODS. By David Belasco and John Luther Long.

MATINEE EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, 2.15.

BUSINESS OFFICE (Mr. Watts)—open daily 10 to 12.

IMPERIAL THEATRE.—MR. LEWIS WALLER. TO-NIGHT AND EVERY EVENING AT 9. MATINEE WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, 8.30.

THE ELIZABETH.—MISS FANNIE DODD.

Proceeds at 8.15, by a QUEEN'S MESSANGER.

ST. JAMES'S.—MR. GEORGE ALEXANDER will appear EVERY EVENING, 8.30, in SATURDAY TO MONDAY.

An Irresponsible Comedy in 3 acts.

By Frederick Faun and W.H. Price.

TATINED every WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, 2.30.

S.T. JAMES'S.—"OP! O ME THUMB."

By arrangement with Mr. Frank Curzon, this comedy will be produced on Friday and Saturday evenings.

PLAYS ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, 8.30 P.M.

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## TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Northerly breezes, strong on the coasts; fine generally; warm in the daytime, cool at night.

Lightning-up time: 8.5 p.m.  
Sea passages generally will be moderate to rather rough.

## TO-DAY'S NEWS AT A GLANCE.

King Edward attended the Epsom meeting and witnessed the race for the City and Suburban.—(Page 2.)

News from the Far East is not very definite. Admiral Alexeiff is reported to have resigned. Activity characterises the Japanese operations, and they are said to have landed at Newchwang. A battle is stated to be raging at Port Arthur, while on the Yalu the hostile armies are practically in touch and a decisive engagement is imminent.—(Page 2.)

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Judgment was given by the Brussels Civil Tribunal yesterday refusing the application made by creditors of Princesses Louise and Stephanie of Belgium to set aside the will of the late Queen.—(Page 3.)

Toronto has been the scene of a great fire which had its origin in a soap factory, and lasted six hours. The damage is estimated at £2,000,000.—(Page 2.)

Two avalanche disasters are reported. In the Commune of Fragato (Turin), one hundred miners were overwhelmed; while the hamlet of Muchibach, near Bregg, Switzerland, was swept away, with a loss of thirteen lives.—(Page 8.)

"The Rich Mrs. Repton," a comedy, was produced last evening at the Duke of York's Theatre.—(Page 8.)

In the Divorce Court the consideration of the Pollard case was resumed before the President. Counsel's speeches occupied the whole of the day. Sir Edward Carson, for the King's Proctor, concluded his final speech to-day.—(Page 5.)

At Wrecclesham, near Farnham, a jury investigated the circumstances attending the death of the young groom, White, and returned a verdict of Wilful Murder against some person or persons unknown. The cowboy, Fry, arrested on suspicion, was not present at the inquest.—(Page 5.)

Accidental Death was the verdict returned at the inquest on the victims of submarine A1 at Portsmouth. The jury inspected the vessel prior to their decision.—(Page 3.)

An extraordinary story of impersonation was investigated at Marlborough-street Police Court. The two men Jacques Rous, said to have posed as the Grand Duke of Mecklenberg-Schwerin at the Carlton Hotel, and Meyer Berger, as his attaché, were remanded in custody.—(Page 5.)

Summerlike weather still favours London. Yesterday the Panama had made its appearance, and straws were plentiful.—(Page 3.)

Miss Angela Constable-Maxwell, daughter of Lord Herries, was married at Everingham, Yorkshire, to Mr. Eric Drummond. The ceremony was a very picturesque one.—(Page 8.)

Firemen had a difficult task checking an outbreak in Holborn, smoke helmets having to be used before it could be overcome.—(Page 4.)

Dr. Winnington Ingram stated at the London Diocesan Conference yesterday that no compromise was likely to be agreed upon respecting the education question.—(Page 4.)

Search is being made for Mr. H. H. Hawthorne, a gentleman who came to London from Montreal recently, and is entitled to a large fortune. Despite every effort, he has not yet been traced.—(Page 3.)

Sentence of penal servitude for life was at the Central Criminal Court passed upon George Hallam, a draughtsman, for having administered chloroform to his two children in a South London flat.—(Page 4.)

Indicted at the Old Bailey, George A. Ritson, the young man who shot at a former sweetheart on Tooting Common, was ordered five years' penal servitude.—(Page 5.)

A miniature, costing, it was said, 400 guineas, was the subject of a dispute between two ladies who came before the High Court. After a lengthy hearing the jury disagreed.—(Page 5.)

The race for the City and Suburban ended in a surprise. Robert le Diable being returned the winner. Dean Swift was second, and Ceriser third. Robert le Diable started at 40 to 1 against.—(Page 10.)

Stock markets were dull. Consols and other gilt edged securities declined yesterday on the Budget. Far Eastern rumours adversely affected Foreign bonds.—(Page 11.)

## To-Day's Arrangements.

Lord Howard de Walden presides at the Annual Banquet of the Royal Normal College and Academy of Music for the Blind, Upper Norwood, at the Hotel Cecil.

Institution of Civil Engineers: Mr. Dugald Clerk delivers the Twelfth "James Forrest" Lecture on "Internal Combustion Engines," 8.30.

Royal Institution, Albemarle-street: Professor Dewar on "Dissoilatation," 5.30.

Society of Architects: Meeting, Staple Inn Buildings, 8.30.

Kensington Philanthropic Society's Annual Banquet, Empress of India, Trocadero, 6.30.

The Queen's Regiments Mess Dinner, Oak Room, Trocadero, 8.30.

Brixton Medical Society: Banquet, Connaught Rooms, Trocadero, 8.30.

Old Berkhamstedians Association: Banquet, Balmoral Rooms, Trocadero, 6.30.

Racing: The Sandown Park Spring Meeting begins.

## KING LEOPOLD AND HIS DAUGHTERS.

## End of a Strange Suit Which Has Caused Some Scandal.

BRUSSELS, Wednesday night. The Civil Tribunal to-day gave judgment in the application made by the creditors of the Princesses Louise and Stephanie of Belgium to set aside the will of the late Queen. The Court refused the application of the plaintiffs with costs, holding that the Act of 1853 was a diplomatic treaty, and that since that time the Queen's property has come under the operation of the principle of separate estates.—Reuter.

Queen Maria Henrietta died at Spa in September, 1902. The bequests under her will related to the Queen's private estate, but the pressure brought to bear by the creditors of Princess Louise of Coburg, who benefited under the will as a daughter, made trouble with the King as to the interpretation of her rights.

All efforts to bring the dispute to an amicable termination failed, and the result was the extraordinary spectacle of a King sued in the courts of his kingdom by the creditors of his daughter. The creditors contended for their part that there was no marriage contract in a legal sense between the King and his Consort, because they entirely forgot to ratify the contract within six weeks of the solemnisation, as the Belgian law requires.

Hence under that law there was a joint partnership in property, and under it half of King Leopold's immense fortune would fall in as having belonged to the late Queen.

The King, on his side, contended that the question of property between himself and his Consort was governed by the diplomatic settlement, the Treaty of Vienna, 1853, under which the marriage was arranged, and by which there was a separate estate between the contracting parties.

The creditors, among whom was included a Captain Deller, named Hirsch, with a claim of £7,800; Dr. Deller, Vienna milliner—£6,400; and Posen and Co., Paris, who claimed £6,800, waited several months for payment after the Queen's death. They then resolved to press for their money. They feared lest King Leopold would, as seemed likely if report was to be trusted, give away his wealth and leave nothing much to his daughters.

## INCOME-TAX INCUBUS.

## Extra Penny Draws Attention to a Crying Injustice.

Income-tax at 1s. in the £! The British taxpayer is still hotly discussing this item of Mr. Austen Chamberlain's Budget, and much indignation is expressed that some more satisfactory method of raising revenue has not been adopted.

What an income-tax of 1s. in the £ will mean is shown in the following table:

Income of £100 per year is exempt.

Income of £2000 per year at 1s., i.e., 40s., equals about 2d. in the £ on total income.

Income of £200 per year at 1s., i.e., 27s., equals nearly 5d. in the £ on total income.

Income of £600 per year at 1s., i.e., 24s., equals nearly 10d. in the £ on total income.

All incomes at 27d. and upwards will pay the full 1s. in the £, the sole abatement being for life insurance premiums which may reach one-sixth of the total income.

The new tax will be retrospective, and will date from April 6 of this year, falling due in January, 1905.

## Working Men Should Share.

In an interview with a *Mirror* representative yesterday Mr. Scarff, managing director of the Income-Tax Adjustment Agency, held that income-tax ought to be collected on all incomes. An extra penny would not be so objectionable, he declared, if it were shared by the entire population.

"It could be arranged so that it would work upwards from 1s. in the £, and would not fall, as it does now, with unjust heaviness on the great middle-class. For the purpose of arranging it satisfactorily a higher nominal tax, say, 2s. in the £, would have to be imposed."

Referring to Mr. Austen Chamberlain's promise of a Departmental Committee to inquire into the question of evasion and recovery of income-tax, Mr. Scarff explained: "What is the good of a Departmental Committee? What does officialism know or care about the crying injustice under which the British taxpayer labours. Permanent officials are the tyrants, not the servants, of the public. Let us have a committee by all means, but let it be a committee capable of holding up the whole question from the point of view of not merely the spectacles of officialism."

Teas was yesterday raised twopence a pound at most of the principal stores in the West End.

The explanation for this immediate rise in price is that stocks were kept very low in view of a possible reduction in the tea duty.

Mr. Gallaher, head of Messrs. Gallaher's tobacco-factory, says the new tobacco duty will make no appreciable difference to consumers.

## CROWN PRINCE UNBENDS.

## (FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, Wednesday.

The Crown Prince, who was formerly considered rather haughty, has recently abandoned occasions, and the strict etiquette appertaining to royalty.

For instance, on the ice, a few weeks ago, he pushed about a child in a sleigh, whilst the astonished nursemaid, trembling for the safety of her charge, was almost in tears.

Yesterday, to the surprise of officials and passengers, the young prince appeared on the platform of the Berlin underground station, accompanied by several officers, and travelled to the Zoo station. Although the officers formed a sort of guard round his Royal Highness in the compartment, many passengers proudly boasted afterwards of having travelled with the Prince.

## "PANAMA" WEATHER.

## England Revels in a Precocious Summer.

Summer has come. Whether it is last year's summer, come belated on the scene, or this year's, is a question to be settled by the weather experts, but the welcome fact remains that yesterday was a summer day of the most glorious type.

When Londoners woke they found the world bathed in warm and brilliant sunshine, while the air was fresh and invigorating.

How the fine weather was appreciated was shown by the crowded streets. Light summer costumes were everywhere, while overcoats had vanished. The first Panama hats of the season were seen in the Strand about noon, and ordinary straws were plentiful.

The parks, which show a splendid luxuriance of foliage, were visited by thousands, and the artificial waters were alive with boats.

Tradesmen are clearing out their heavy stocks to fill their show windows with summer goods. The bright weather has already sent up the demand for cycles, and makers are busy filling orders.

To the flower dealers the present weather is not an unmixed delight, as flowers are too plentiful. The enormous consignments from the Channel Islands and all parts of the country have driven the prices almost down to sacrifice point. A week's continuance of sunshine is promised, with perhaps a slight increase in temperature.

## FLIES ABOUT THE JAMPOUT.

## Fair Litigant's Twenty-nine Proposals of Marriage.

Twenty-nine more flies have buzzed about the jampot of the affections of Mrs. Fraser, the fascinating widow of Shaftesbury-avenue, since she was awarded £600 for breach of promise a month ago.

It was in the *Daily Mirror* report of these proceedings it will be remembered that this phrase "flies around the jampot" was used. Immediately following the trial the phrase caught on in Shaftesbury-avenue, and with Mrs. Fraser's customers. Her life, as she told a *Mirror* representative yesterday, became a perfect misery.

"A dozen times a day," she said, "people would come in to 'see the jampot' or to 'buzz.' Boys would poke their heads through the door and shout 'Jampot!' Work-girls passing would make nasty remarks. I tried a dignified air, but the more annoyed I became the worse it grew. So at last I decided to treat the whole matter as a joke."

Mrs. Fraser smiled gently at the thought, and indicated a vast jampot on the counter, about which sundry enormous flies were busily buzzing.

## Everybody Happy.

"I got a jampot," she continued, "labelled it 'jam,' put some flies around it, and placed it in the window. The *Daily Mirror* had started the joke, and I knew it must just make the best of it. Since then I have added other pots and more and more flies. Now we are all quite happy. People come in here, as they say, to 'buzz' for a few minutes, and it is just good fun."

The most surprising result of all, however, has been the number of proposals Mrs. Fraser has received. They have arrived on an average at the rate of two and three a day from all sorts and descriptions of "flies."

"My twenty-ninth offer came last night," said Mrs. Fraser pensively; "it was desirable in some ways. But my proposals have come from all sorts of men. Several have been possessed of good incomes, and have asked me for my solicitor's address that they might make me a legal settlement through him. Most honourable conduct, I consider. Another declared his willingness to guard my honour 'off the point of the bayonet, but not on it.'

"No," she concluded thoughtfully, "I have not made any definite decision yet. I am weighing them all up carefully in my mind, and when I have taken all things into consideration I shall make my selection. But I shall not hurry about it. You see, there may be more offers." (See page 7.)

## SUNKEN TREASURE.

## Fifty Pounds for a George IV. Shilling.

By an entirely new and novel method a junior officer on one of the South African liners has converted a George IV. shilling into £50.

When he was taking soundings with the deep sea lead off the African coast he concealed a George IV. shilling in the hollow space at the bottom of the lead and covered it with tallow.

The passengers gathered round to see the lead hauled up.

The officer skillfully cleared off the gravel from the lead with his hand and brought the shilling with it. When the shilling was examined and discovered to be dated 1823 the passengers were greatly excited, and it was presumed that a ship must have founderered on the spot, and the officer was besieged immediately with offers to buy the salvaged coin.

He refused to part with it under any consideration, and said the shilling would be kept in his family as an heirloom and handed down to his descendants.

The bidding went up to £200, and then it was given up as a hopeless task.

After dinner a wealthy Jew from Johannesburg bought it for £50, and stood wine in the smoking-room to celebrate the event.

## CHOKED BY A BILLIARD BALL.

PARIS, Wednesday.

Victim of his own foolishness, a man named Barber has just met with a terrible death. He made a bet with a friend that he would put a billiard ball into his mouth. The bet was accepted, and Barber with little difficulty got the ball into his mouth, but he was unable to remove it. After two hours of terrible suffering M. Barber died of suffocation.

## JURY ON THE A1.

## They Inspect the Submarine and Return Their Verdict.

After an inspection of submarine A1 in dry dock yesterday, and hearing further evidence from Capt. Bacon and the divers Karlsson and Andersen, the jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death by drowning.

In resuming his evidence before the coroner in Haslar Hospital yesterday, Capt. Bacon said that he had made a further examination of the wrecked submarine, and found bloodstains in the conning-tower and in the lower compartments.

This helped to substantiate his theory given on Tuesday, that both the officers and crew of the ill-fated vessel had received a big shock, which stunned them instantly when the collision with the Berwick Castle occurred.

"In the conning-tower," said Capt. Bacon, "I have seen marks showing that Lieut. Mansergh, who was inside there, must have received a very severe blow. There is blood on the grating of the tower just underneath where his head was. There is also blood in the interior of the chambers."

Mr. Howden asked Capt. Bacon, on behalf of the Union-Castle Line if he considered there was any liability on the part of the Berwick Castle for the disaster.

"I should say absolutely none," replied the captain. "A submarine boat, being practically invisible, would have to keep herself clear of all vessels."

## Jury's Inspection.

The jurymen and Coroner Goble were then conveyed in a steam launch across the harbour to Portsmouth Dockyard to inspect the A1, which was lying in "deep dock."

The jury were surprised at the small amount of space in the interior of the boat. To them it seemed to be composed of a small narrow tower attached to a large boiler, with pointed ends, fitted with all kinds of machinery. The A1 was 100ft. long, weighing 180 tons, and was about 15ft. in depth from top of the conning-tower to the keel.

A narrow iron platform, about 2ft. wide, ran along either side of the submarine inside, and stopped about 20ft. from each end. There was very little space to move about in the crew. One juryman said the conning-tower was as narrow as a diver's helmet.

The jury found that the officers and crew met their death accidentally by drowning. They also recommended that submarine manœuvres should not be carried out in narrow fairways.

This recommendation was subsequently withdrawn, on Capt. Bacon pointing out that such a regulation would be impossible of fulfilment.

## FLYING FROM FORTUNE.

## Vain Efforts to Find an Elusive Legatee.

Mr. Hamlet Henry Hawthorne, who arrived in London from Montreal on November 4 last, has had a large fortune left him. He has not yet taken possession of his windfall, as he is unaware of his good luck, although he has been extensively advertised for.

Many years ago Hawthorne saved the life of a lady who was upset in a yacht on the Kentish coast. This lady was Mrs. Josephine Keat, the wife of a wealthy diamond merchant, who died a widow last year. She has left considerable property in Paris and India and a large estate in Australia to her rescuer, with a request that if single he should marry and settle in Australia.

The administrator to the estate, Mr. H. B. Seymour, has been trying to communicate with Mr. Hawthorne for some time, but so far without success.

He traced him to New York, and hearing he had gone to Canada, Mr. Seymour proceeded to Montreal, where he learned that Mr. Hawthorne had sailed for Liverpool by the ss. Lake Champlain on October 22.

Mr. Seymour returned to England by the next steamer and found Mr. Hawthorne had stopped from November 2 to 4 at the Exeter House Hotel, near Lime-street Station, Liverpool. From there he had gone to London, where all trace of him has been lost.

Mr. Seymour has now proceeded to Australia, and hopes that Mr. Hawthorne will communicate with him at Fremantle, where his presence is urgently required.

A portrait of Mr. H. H. Hawthorne, taken three years ago, is published on page 6.

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"There are many professional men who do not get the wages of a bricklayer's labourer," said Judge Edge at Clerkenwell yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes Robertson having concluded their dramatic tour in the United States have returned to London.

At Clerkenwell County Court a debtor, who paid the debt in full but neglected to pay  $\text{£}90$ , the cost of the summons, was committed for seven days.

Streatham High-street was flooded yesterday morning in consequence of the bursting of one of the main water-pipes. Six hours elapsed before the leakage could be located.

Gasoline from the dock used by sub-marines leaked into the well at the pumping station of Portsmouth Dockyard and exploded yesterday while workman Abbs was examining the pumps with a lamp. Abbs's life is despaired of.

#### LOOKING FOR WORK.

Mr. Lomax, the secretary, told the Manchester War Fund Committee that he thought the establishment of the Municipal Labour Bureau had brought unemployed men into the city.

#### SAFETY LAMP STILL WANTED.

The Grocers' Exhibition prize of  $\text{£}120$  for a safety lamp for mineral oil is not to be awarded to any of those sent in, none having been considered sufficiently satisfactory. But one competitor receives ten guineas as an encouragement to develop a promising idea.

#### PHENIX AT THE ZOO.

The latest additions to the Zoo are four Cape crowned cranes. These birds, with their flaming crests, are remarkably like the pictures of the legendary phenix, and, as they probably occasionally appeared in Egypt thousands of years ago, experts think they may have given rise to the legend.

#### KING'S PIPE FOR TOMMY.

Relying to Mr. Whitmore, M.P., in the House of Commons, Mr. Victor Cavendish said he regretted that it was impossible to distribute seized contraband tobacco among Chelsea and Kilham-ham pensioners, as any surplus, after supplying certain other institutions, is given to troops going on foreign service.

#### FOR THE POOR ONLY.

Laden with documents, a well-dressed woman asked the advice of the West London magistrate, adding that her husband was too busy to attend.

Mr. Lane (after looking at the papers): What business have you to come here and take up the public time? You are people of property, and it is only to poor people that we magistrates give advice. We are not here to take the place of solicitors. It really comes to this—that you are seeking charity.

#### CRIME SUGGESTED BY DREAM.

Mary Tinker told John Hayes, a Blackpool labourer, that she had dreamt he was cutting her throat. The next day they had a quarrel, and saying "She has dreamt I was cutting her throat, and it'll be done," Hayes attempted to cut her throat with a razor while she was lying in bed.

The woman's hands were cut, and they were struggling together when the landlady interfered and saved the woman, Hayes being arrested. At the Manchester Assizes he was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

#### PENAL SERVITUDE TWICE IN SIX WEEKS

Six weeks ago William Lewis, an expert off-roader, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment at Liverpool. Yesterday, at Manchester, he was sent to gaol for five years, the first three to run concurrently with his Liverpool sentence.

Counsel paid a tribute to prisoner's cleverness by stating that so few were the traces he left behind him that many junior clerks and others responsible for the locking of the doors had been suspected and dismissed.

#### KILLED BY A CRICKET BALL.

A Lewisham jury yesterday returned a verdict of Accidental Death in the case of Andrew Edward Jessop, aged twenty-four, a professional cricketer who, standing on the Lee cricket ground while play was in progress, was hit by a ball over the left eye. The injury at first appeared to be slight, but Jessop died from concussion of the brain.

#### NOVELTY IN TEA ROOMS.

The various rooms in "Mackenzin's," the smart tea shop just opened in Bond-street, are each of them finished in the style of a different period. The "red room" on the ground floor is in the style of Louis Seize; the "blue room" on the first floor is in the style of Louis Quinze; while the "green room" above that is in sixteenth century English style. The orchestra will discourse sweet music from a hidden apartment, the sound permeating each room through holes in the walls and floors.

Though a tea room, this establishment makes a specialty of dinners, and, in spite of its elegance, its prices are moderate.

#### PLAYED FOOTBALL AND SHAKESPEARE.

Mr. F. N. Benson, who is again taking part in the Shakespeare representations at Stratford, is a splendid athlete, and so are many members of his company. They swim, row, play cricket and hockey, among other things, and cricket matches are played whenever they can be arranged.

A good story illustrative of Mr. Benson's athletic enthusiasm has been told. He once sent a telegram to a man in London whom he wanted to play Rugby in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," and worded it, "Can you play Rugby? If so, come at once." The reply came shortly after: "Arrive 3 p.m. Played half-back for Stratford."

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Three pairs of birds are busily engaged building their nests close outside the window of St. Pancras Coroner's Court.

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#### PRESENTATIONS TO PLUCKY POLICEMAN

Three presentations to Constable Gunner, who jumped from Blackfriars Bridge into the Thames in an attempt to save the life of a woman, were made at the Snow Hill Police Station yesterday.

He received the Royal Humane Society's silver medal, an illuminated address, and a cheque for £57 from Sir G. Faudel Phillips, which was subscribed by City men.

#### WHY NOT EXPRESS STEAMERS?

Mr. W. Bull, M.P., speaking before the Commons Committee which is considering the Thames Steamboat Bills, yesterday advocated a service of express steamers to the City which would stop at only some of the piers.

He said he believed there were many people fond enough of an outdoor life to sacrifice half an hour night and morning in order to travel by the river.

#### KILLED ON A MOTOR CYCLE.

Mr. Shirley Price, a resident of Beckenham, was riding along Albermarle-road on a motor cycle yesterday when he came into collision with a butcher's cart, and was thrown to the ground. He was picked up in an insensible condition and taken to the Beckenham Cottage Hospital, where he died shortly after admission.

#### ALWAYS GAVE HIMSELF UP.

According to the detective who arrested him, Percy Stedall has a most peculiar habit. He began his career of crime when a boy, but on each occasion, after having committed an offence, he had given himself up to the police.

At the Manchester Assizes prisoner, young and well dressed, was sent to gaol for twelve months for stealing and cashing a cheque for £29 8s. belonging to the United Kingdom Alliance.

#### JUROR ATTENDED BY WITNESS.

During the hearing of a claim for damages in connection with a motor-car accident in Clapham-road, at the London Sheriff's Court yesterday, a juror was taken ill suddenly and left the box in a fainting condition, whereupon a medical gentleman who was giving evidence attended him. It was decided to try the case with eleven jurors.

A Mr. Villard claimed £200 from Mr. Duffy, whose motor had run into a hansom cab in which plaintiff was riding, and the jury gave him a verdict for the full amount claimed, with costs.

#### MR. GILBERT'S NEW PLAY.

Mr. Arthur Bourchier will produce Mr. W. S. Gilbert's new play at the Garrick Theatre on Tuesday evening, May 3. The author describes it as an original domestic pantomime in two acts, entitled "The Fairy's Dilemma."

The action of the play takes place at the present moment, and its scenes are laid on this earth, above it, and below it, and the persons of the play are divided into Supernaturals and Unnaturals.

#### GOOD SAMARITAN STABBED.

As James Anderson, of Dalton-lane, was going home from work he saw some roughs attacking an old gentleman. Going to the assistance of the victim, he was set upon by the roughs, one of whom stabbed him in the head.

This happened three years ago, but the unfortunate man has ever since complained of pains in his head, and on Sunday last he came back from a walk complaining of feeling unwell, went to bed, and died a few hours later. At yesterday's inquest the doctor said death was due to the hemorrhage on the brain caused by a blood vessel bursting.

#### CHILDREN WANDERING AT MIDNIGHT.

Two little children, who were so small that they had to be placed in front of the dock so that they could be seen, were charged at Brentford yesterday with wandering. A policeman said he found Daisy and Thomas Masters, aged nine and ten years, trudging hand-in-hand over Kew Bridge at midnight. They told him they had run away from home.

The parents pleaded that the children had been well looked after, but they had been found wandering before, and the Brentford magistrate said he thought they had been treated disgracefully. Both were sent to schools away from the care of their parents.

#### LIFE SENTENCE FOR A FATHER.

Sentence of penal servitude for life was, at the Old Bailey, yesterday, passed upon George Hallam, fifty-five, a Camberwell draughtsman, indicted for having administered chloroform to his two children in a flat.

Counsel for the prosecution said prisoner's motive could not be understood unless it was that he wished to frighten his wife, with whom he had not been on the best of terms.

In summing up the Judge pointed out that in his will the prisoner left all his property to his son, quite ignoring the claims of the other two children. This was a significant factor in considering whether prisoner intended to kill them.

The jury having found the prisoner insane, the Judge said he had no alternative but to pass the above sentence.

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## IMPERSONATING A DUKE.

"His Highness" Leaves the Carlton for the Police Cell.

Among the names registered in the visitors' book at the Carlton Hotel during the week was that of the Grand Duke of Mecklenberg-Schwerin. The distinguished guest was accompanied by a Mr. Hurtzburger, who was understood to be his attache. But the supposed Grand Duke and his companion have left their quarters at the hotel with dramatic suddenness, and are now confined in cells at Marlborough-street Police Court, where they pass under the commonplace titles of Jaques Roos, aged nineteen, and Meyer Binger, aged fifty.

Apparently there was no misgiving at the Carlton as to the real identity of the two visitors until Tuesday. On that day Mr. John Henry Simpson, assistant secretary to the Goldsmiths' and Silversmiths' Company, called and asked to see the Grand Duke. Mr. Simpson's visit was due to the fact that on Monday two gentlemen had called at his company's Regent-street shop and asked that some "very nice jewellery," consisting of brooches, rings, collars, and other articles, should be sent to the Carlton "for the inspection of the Grand Duke of Mecklenberg-Schwerin." A reason was afterwards found, however, for not sending the jewellery.

## An Interview in the Palm Court.

A clerk at the hotel ushered Mr. Simpson into the presence of the two would-be customers of the previous day in the Palm Court. To the younger of the two Mr. Simpson said, "I presume you are addressing His Highness the Grand Duke of Mecklenberg-Schwerin." The young man replied, "Yes, I am he, and I desire a room that they should converse in French." As Mr. Simpson only speaks French imperfectly he intimated that he would send for an assistant who could speak the language, and—in response to a further request—agreed that this assistant should bring the jewellery that had been ordered.

But, instead of a jeweller's assistant, the Duke was confronted with Detective-Inspector Stockley, of New Scotland Yard, who invited him into a private sitting-room, where, in the presence of the manager of the hotel and another detective, he explained that he had reason to doubt the genuineness of the Duke's claim to his title. Upon the Duke reiterating this claim and adding that his companion's name was Hurtzburger, who was "attached to him," the detective proceeded to read a paragraph from a London newspaper, announcing that the Grand Duke was to be married on the Continent, and that the Queen would attend the wedding.

"Are you the person referred to in that paragraph?" he asked, and again he was answered in the affirmative. However, when the detective suggested that they should go to the German Embassy for the purpose of identification, the young man changed his attitude, and eventually admitted that he was not the Grand Duke at all, and that his actual name was Rosetti. He came from Rotterdam, he said; and his companion, whose true name was Binger, was his uncle.

**Scanty Funds.**

Rosetti, or Roos, as his correct name is believed to be, had no money in his possession, but carried cards bearing the name "Grand Duke of Mecklenberg-Schwerin." Binger's cards were inscribed "Hurtzburger, aide-de-camp." His funds amounted to two shillings and fourpence. Their luggage, consisting of two handbags, contained only a change of clothing. During their stay at the hotel they had incurred a bill of £20.

According to Inspector Drew, who gave evidence when they were brought before the magistrate yesterday, charged with felonious intent, the two men had been going about in carriages offering jewellery in large quantities from various places. Their carriage was in waiting when they were arrested.

The magistrate, after hearing the above story, as supplied by various witnesses, remanded the prisoners.

Applying to the magistrate later in the day, Mr. Arthur Newton asked for bail, stating that Roos was the son of a highly respectable merchant in Holland. The two men had merely come over to London "on the spree." The application was refused.

## MR. MORGAN'S UNINVITED GUEST.

Comfortably ensconced in an outhouse in the grounds of Dover House, Mr. Pierpoint Morgan's Putney residence, an ex-convict named John Daley was preparing a meal of bread and butter and tea in the early hours of the morning when a policeman appeared on the scene. The constable presumed that Daley contemplated a felony, and took him into custody.

But at the South-Western Police Court yesterday Daley protested that his only object was to obtain a little seclusion for the preparation of his meal. The magistrate accepted the explanation, and discharged him with the advice that he should be more careful where he went.

## SNAPSHOTTING A PRISONER.

On the resumed hearing at Lambeth Police Court of the arson charge preferred against Frederick Langham, thirty-six, a tobacconist, living in Camberwell-road, his counsel said the defence would be an alibi, which the prisoner was in a position to prove.

To enable that to be done, however, it would be very useful to have a photograph of the prisoner, and he (counsel) asked his worship's approval. His clerk would take a snapshot.

Mr. Hopkiss granted the necessary permission, and it was understood the gaoler would give the necessary facilities.

The Campsea Ashe Sparrow Club in Suffolk reports a total kill of 5,022 during the past year. Since the club was formed its members have dispatched no fewer than 17,000 sparrows.

Mr. Henry Wood, the famous Queen's Hall conductor, will make his first appearance as a lecturer in London on Friday evening, when he will lecture to the Concert-Goers' Club on "The Wood Wind of the Orchestra; the Queen's Hall Wood Wind Quintet supplying the musical illustrations."

## HOP-FIELD MURDER MYSTERY.

Woman's Story of a Meeting with Two Men Near the Scene of the Crime.

A verdict of Wilful Murder against some person or persons unknown was returned by the coroner's jury which sat yesterday to investigate the death of the young groom, George White, whose body was found in a hop-field at Wrecclesham, near Farnham, in Hampshire.

Frank Fry, the cowboy who was arrested on Tuesday on suspicion of being concerned in White's murder, was not present in court. It is understood that White and Fry had both become fascinated by the attractions of a pretty nursemaid in service at Runwick Farm, where they were employed.

This girl, whose name is Phoebe Mepham, was called as a witness yesterday after a brother had formally identified the body of the murdered groom, whom he had last seen alive, he said, at half-past six on Sunday.

Phoebe Mepham, a comely girl, told the coroner that on Sunday evening she met White near Farnham Cemetery and he walked home with her. He said good-night at the gate, and she presumed he was going home.

## Woman's Terrifying Experience.

The most important witness called was Mary Ann Brewer, who, as she was walking through the hop-field in which the murdered youth's body was afterwards found, met two people walking along the footpath skirting the field.

At first she thought they were a man and a woman, but afterwards she discovered they were both men, one of whom appeared to be drunk. The taller of the two had his arm around the waist of the other and was helping him along. As she passed them the taller one called the other aside, and after she had got a few yards in front she heard one man scream. She said, "Is anyone hurt there?" and the tall man said "No." She saw the tall man standing up and apparently

helping the other, who was on the ground. She heard the scream again, and she said, "Are you sure no one is hurt?" The answer came back gruffly, "No, no, no, I told you," and she went away, thinking the affair was a drunken brawl.

A few minutes later she was returning by the path and heard a kind of dragging sound and heavy breathing coming from the hop-ground. She could not see anybody, and becoming frightened, ran the rest of the way home.

Constable Hyland described the position of the body and produced a heavy hazel stick stained with blood, which he found near the body. On the body he found a £1 note. The trouser pockets had been torn, and the pants were missing out.

Dr. Elands, who was called to examine the body in the field, said there was a wound extending right across the throat. On the head there was a clean cut through the skull, which was abnormally thin. The blow probably had been inflicted from behind and some minutes before the throat was cut. The wound on the head might not have been sufficiently severe to cause death.

After this evidence had been given the jury returned their verdict as recorded above.

The coroner remarked that one of the most important pieces of evidence—the footprints—had been obliterated before the police could get there by inquisitive people in their anxiety to see the body. Footprints were one of the first pieces of evidence the police looked for in cases of this kind, and the public should not be so inquisitive, as it affected the ends of justice.

## Pry's Alibi.

When charged during the day before the magistrates with the murder of White, Frank Fry declared that he was innocent, and his father, a labourer, said that he could bring evidence to show that the prisoner was at home on Sunday night at nine o'clock.

## MINIATURE OF A LADY.

## Dispute Over the Price of an American Lady's Work.

A miniature was the subject of a dispute between two ladies in Mr. Justice Lawrence's Court yesterday.

It represented Mrs. Claude Watney, the wife of one of the partners in the well-known brewery firm, and was the work of Mrs. Couder, an American miniature painter, who, as her counsel, Mr. Lawson Walton, pointed out, has painted the portraits of many royal personages. Mrs. Couder, whose work has gained her much distinction, is better known by her maiden name of Amelia Kussner.

Mrs. Couder sued Mrs. Watney for 200 guineas, which she said was due to her to make up the balance of 400 guineas which she had been promised for her work.

Mrs. Watney's case was that the bargain had been for 200 guineas only, so she understood.

When Miss Watney, after the plaintiff's case had closed, went into the witness-box, she stated Mrs. Couder told her that her price ranged from 100 guineas to 300 guineas, but from crowned heads she received as much as 500 guineas. The

## DANGEROUS LOVER.

## Nursery Governess's Assailant Sent to Penal Servitude.

George Arthur Ritson, the young man who shot at his former sweetheart, a nursery governess, on Tooting Common, was indicted at the Old Bailey yesterday, and pleaded guilty to shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm. For the defence it was urged that prisoner was a man whose mind was not at all evenly balanced.

Mr. Justice Darling said the prisoner's plea would be accepted. Ritson was obviously a person of a very dangerous character—dangerous to himself (for it seemed that he had intended to commit suicide) and dangerous to at least one other person.

The offence was one for which sentence of penal servitude for life could be passed. If he did not impose that sentence, it was only because he must make allowance for the kind of relations that existed between the prisoner and the girl. Prisoner must undergo five years' penal servitude.

## SENTIMENTAL AMUSEMENT.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Horace Avery at Marylebone Police Court, Mrs. Beatrix Davies, the principal witness against Dr. Frederick Hicks, who was again remanded on a charge of performing an illegal operation, admitted that a month after her marriage last February she wrote to her friends that she was tired of wedded life.

Mr. Avery: Was there a man in Balfour you were fond of, and who was fond of you?—Yes, last year.

Answering further questions, Mrs. Davies said she was not in correspondence with anyone. The handwriting on a blotting-pad produced was her, and what appeared upon it was done purely for amusement. She had written, "You know I shall never love anyone but you, love," "My own darling," and "All my fond love and kisses," solely for amusement.



MRS. COUDERT.

A miniature painter, who yesterday sued Mrs. Claude Watney for 200 guineas, half the alleged price of a miniature—sketched in court by a "Mirror" artist.

agreed price was £50 guineas, which she considered very high. Subsequently Mrs. Couder said the work was more difficult than she had anticipated, and that the price should be over 200 guineas.

In cross-examination Mrs. Watney said the miniature was a pretty piece of work, but she was not satisfied with it, as the chin and mouth were not like her. She told Mrs. Couder the reason she did not like the miniature was because it made her look as though she were only sixteen.

After discussing the matter in the retirement of their private room for more than an hour the jury found it impossible to agree as to their verdict. They were accordingly discharged.



MRS. CLAUDE WATNEY.

The wife of a well-known brewery owner, denied that the price of the miniature was to be £400 guineas, and the jury disagreed about the case.—(Drawn by a "Mirror" artist from a photograph.)

## POLLARD CASE REVIEWED.

## Closing Stages of the Sensational Sequel to a Divorce Suit.

After a three weeks' absence, caused by the Easter recess, the Pollard case returned yesterday to the Divorce Court.

This great cause célèbre is now nearing its close. In point of length it has been almost as abnormal as the revelations that it has produced, but to-day will in all probability see the end of it.

Yesterday Sir Edward Clarke made his final speech on behalf of Mrs. Pollard, and Sir Edward Carson, the representative of the King's Proctor, began his final reply.

Before the President took his seat the ladies and gentlemen who may be described as the regular habitués of the Pollard case were busy explaining to friends whom they had brought into the court for the first time what the Pollard case is all about and who the important personages engaged in it are.

## The Chief Characters.

"There in front, sitting by himself with a glass of water in front of him," these quibbles said, "is Sir Edward Carson, appearing on behalf of the King's Proctor, or Public Prosecutor, that quiet-looking gentleman without a gown sitting at the Associate's table. Sir Edward is asking that the divorce granted to that pretty little pale-faced lady in the blue and green hat on the other side of the court shall be annulled. That is Mrs. Pollard, and the two young ladies sitting by her side are her sisters."

"The gentleman next to them with the face that reminds you of the late Mr. Cecil Rhodes is Mr. Osborne. He is the solicitor who helped Mrs. Pollard to get her decree nisi. The King's Proctor says that he is in collision with Slater's, the private detective, tried to make Mrs. Pollard's husband disown himself so that evidence for divorce could be procured."

"That big man sitting next to Mr. Osborne is Mr. Knowles. Mr. Knowles is the man who provided the money to pay Slater's for the investigations of their detectives. He gave to Slater's over £2,300."

The explanations to country cousins were interrupted by the entry of the Judges.

Sir Edward Clarke began his speech by telling the jury that on their verdict three interests depended. The first, and perhaps least important, of these interests, from his own point of view, he said, was that of Slater's.

"I am not counsel for Slater's," Sir Edward continued, "and there is nothing I am less anxious to do than give an advertisement to them."

But, as Slater's were parties with an important connection with the case, he added, it was only fair to them that their actions should be put properly before the Court.

## Vindicating Slater's.

At a later period of his speech Sir Edward devoted some time to a vindication of Slater's and their methods, and he pointed out that none of the evidence in any way connected Mr. Scott (Mr. Slater), Mr. Henry, or Mr. Hamilton with any discreditable conduct.

The charge against Mr. Osborne, Sir Edward declared, was of a grave character and importance. To Mr. Osborne the consequences of the jury's verdict, both professionally and personally, were very grave indeed. "Why the King's Proctor," counsel at this point said, "has made so grave a charge against a member of our profession, I do not know."

The gravest interest of all at stake, Sir Edward declared, at the end of his analysis of issues, was that of Mrs. Pollard, the future course of whose life was in the balance.

Counsel then turned to the jury and assured them that during the recess he had carefully read all the evidence. To do this he had had to go through the replies to no fewer than 7,933 questions.

The Solicitor-General: There are 8,798 questions. Sir Edward Clarke: I always understand things. This remark caused an outburst of laughter.

Sir Edward's speech lasted for the greater part of the day, and in the course of it he made a detailed examination of the evidence that had been given.

## The Subject of Mr. Knowles.

The turn of Sir Edward Carson did not come until half-past three o'clock, when only half an hour remained for him in which to start his own final speech.

The Solicitor-General devoted this half-hour to discussing the connection of Mr. Knowles with the case.

It was known, he said, that "the client" had paid ninety-two visits to Slater's office while the detectives were at work. How was it possible to believe that Mr. Knowles, as that gentleman had declared, was told nothing during these ninety-two visits except that inquiries were being made?

"When I mention Slater's," added Sir Edward Carson, "I cannot help feeling indignation."

Sir Edward Carson will conclude his speech to-day.

## LOVE OF DRESS LEADS TO CRIME.

Love of dress was responsible for the appearance of Amelia Williams, an eighteen-year-old servant, in the dock at North London Police Court yesterday, on a charge of stealing a gold ring, valued at £2, from her employer, a Hoxtonon confectioner.

The magistrate was told that on March 23 the ring disappeared, and that at Easter the girl was wearing a new dress. It was found that at the time she ordered this she was unable to pay for it. A remand was ordered.

## INADEQUATE ATONEMENT.

In dealing with a prisoner who at the Old Bailey pleaded guilty to larceny, the Recorder said it was a matter for regret that cases of this character were on the increase.

Accused persons seemed to think they could come to the court, plead guilty and express regret, and escape all punishment. It was necessary, however, to make it clear that libels of this sort could not be tolerated, and he hoped that the sentence he was about to pass—that of three months' hard labour—would act as a deterrent.

# "THE DAILY ILLUSTRATED MIRROR" IS GROWING—T

LADY CONSTANCE MACKENZIE MARRIED.



Lady Constance Mackenzie, unconventional as ever, has been married, almost secretly, in a Highland chapel at Inverness, to Captain Sir Edward Austin Stewart-Richards, a captain in the Black Watch. Lady Constance plays the bagpipes and rides anything from a Shetland pony to a racehorse, and drives a motor or four horses equally fearlessly. She is also a magnificent swimmer. (Photograph by W. Barnett.)

YESTERDAY'S POLLARD CASE.



Sir Edward Clarke made his final address to the jury yesterday on the resumed hearing of the now famous Pollard case. (Photograph by Elliott and Fry.)

A CHILD STUDY.



A clever photographic study of an unusually pretty child.—(Photograph by Gerschel, Paris.)



The finish for the West Hines

SCENES ON THE ROAD YESTERDAY AND IN THE



Old Mr. Dearle, the veteran Epsom tradesman who has seen more of the Epsom racing than any other man alive. He has not missed a Derby for seventy-eight years.



Mr. J. S. Clark's Mark Time, the defeated favourite Metropolitan, just before he left the paddock. Mrs. Clark is wishing him good luck.

SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTH ANNIVERSARY.



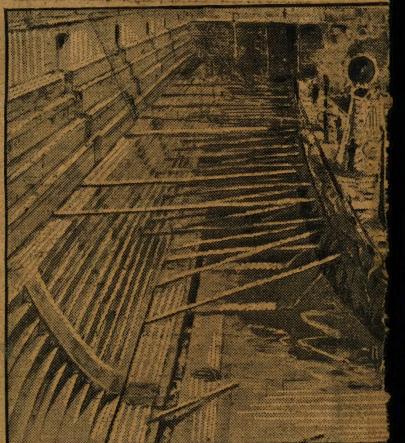
Saturday is the anniversary of Shakespeare's birth on April 23, 1564. The house in which he was born at Stratford-on-Avon is now the property of the nation and used as a Shakespeare Museum. A performance of Shakespearian plays is held annually at the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre.

A MISSING HEIR.



Hamlet Henry Hawthorne is heir to a large fortune, but cannot be found. Many years ago he saved the life of a wealthy woman, and she has now bequeathed to him a large estate in Australia. See page 3.

THE A1 DOCK



The wrecked submarine A1 is at last safely docked to keep out the curious sight.

THE SUMMER HOME OF THE TSAR.



The famous fountains at the Zarevoeze Summer Palace at St. Petersburg, to which the Tsar has just moved for the summer month.

LAZY LOAFERS MONOPOLY

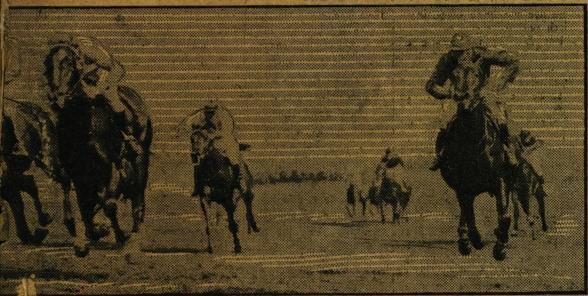


"Park Poets," as the unemployable unemployed who spend their days upon the grass of the London unmitigated nuisance is certain, but it is difficult to see how they are to be excluded. These unwashed children were



# E CIRCULATION IS NOW OVER 150,000 PER DAY.

A KEEN FINISH AT EPSOM.



Race at Epsom. Mr. Arthur James's Golden Gleam is first, winning by a furlong. Londolette and Bright Star are second and third.

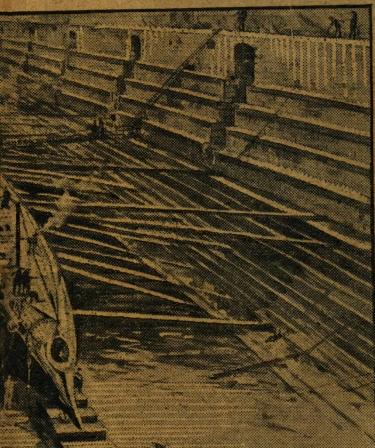
PADDOCK AT EPSOM RACES.



For the Great  
the course.

Many of the racing patrons from London who stayed in Epsom overnight had to put up with rough accommodation. Early morning toilets were mostly made under the pump.

ED AT LAST.



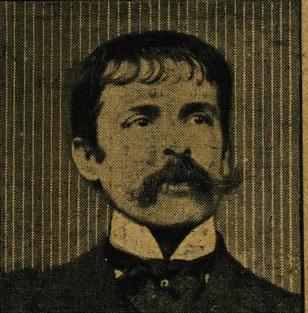
Race at Portsmouth. Notice the screens around the track to keep the spectators off the grass. (Photograph by Oribb, Southsea.)

THE LONDON PARKS.



Parks have grown to be called, are exercising the ingenuity of the authorities. That they are an ideal verminous idlers were photographed yesterday in the Green Park, within a few feet of where

LAST NIGHT'S DRAMATIST.



Mr. R. C. Carton, whose play, "The Rich Mrs. Repton," was produced last night at the Duke of York's Theatre. (Photograph by Russell and Sons.)

PRINCE OF WALES'S HOST.



The Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, the host of the Prince and Princess of Wales, who are visiting Vienna. He greeted his royal guests at the station, wearing for the first time his uniform as a British Field-Marshal. Once at the Hofburg, the royal palace, there was no further ceremony for the day, in order that the Prince and Princess might rest after their long journey.

THE WIDOW AND THE JAM POT.



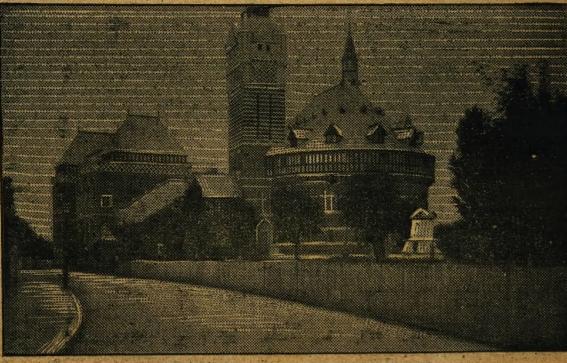
Mrs. Frasier, the widow of Shaftesbury-avenue who was awarded £600 for a brooch of promise a month ago, has had twenty-nine proposals since. In the window of her shop is a large jam pot round which buzz artificial flies. See page 3. (Photograph by Langford.)

RUSSIAN NURSES AT THE FRONT.



A group of Russian Red Cross nurses, both men and women, and their convalescent patients at the Military Hospital, Newchwang. The patient nature of the Russian peasantry makes the Russian soldier an excellent patient. His lack of education, also, makes him look upon his doctor as infallible.

SHAKESPEARE MEMORIAL THEATRE.



The Shakespeare birthday celebrations next Saturday, April 23, take place in the Memorial Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon. It was erected by national subscription.

# MISS ANGELA CONSTABLE-MAXWELL'S WEDDING.

## AN EXQUISITE TROUSSEAU. A WEDDING DRESS EMBROIDERED WITH HOLLY.

Miss Angela Constable-Maxwell, daughter of Lord Herries, and sister of the Duchess of Norfolk, who was married at Eversham, in Yorkshire, yesterday, to Mr. Eric Drummond, wore a pearl-white satin toilette made very uncommon appearance by embroideries in silver, the design being a holly branch. As this is the badge not only of the Herries family, but of that of the bridegroom, the Strathallans, it was a most happy choice, and very beautiful it looked upon the apron of the wedding dress skirt.

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Like her sister, the Duchess of Norfolk, Miss Constable-Maxwell signified her admiration for a wedding gown that is simple in character, though very rich in material, by wearing quite a plain skin, save for the embroidery, and a swathed cor-

damask and pale pink—and one of reseda green crêpe de Chine decorated with an exquisite Linen lace pelerine. A dull sapphire blue coiffure costume was hand-embroidered and trimmed with point d'Alençon lace, and there was a lovely pale blue silk evening frock trimmed with pink roses, and a black taffetas one with a quaint picture collar of white mouseline just edged with valuable old lace. Amongst the many trappings that came from the Yorkshire town was one of lovely Indian embroidery, showing delicate shades of colour on a cream ground, with which went a green shot taffetas coat. Another teagown was a mass of

## PETS PROVIDED FOR BY WILL.

### Testators Who Leave Behind Strange Bequests for Their Favourite Animals.

An elderly lady named Eldham, who died recently at Hackney, left instructions in her will that her "dear old faithful cat, Queenie, is at once poisoned, that she may not in any way fret after me."

This is but one of many instances of injunctions in wills with reference to testators' pets.

Some years ago a rich old lady residing at Birmingham left £100 a year to defray the expenses of a fat poodle's and grey parrot's annual trip to Margate by boat. The stay was to last a fortnight, and her treasures were to be located in apartments opposite the sea. The poodle was to be taken for exercise twice a day on the jetty, and was to accompany the parrot for a drive every afternoon, weather permitting.

If the terms of the late Mrs. Lisetta Rist's will are fulfilled certain roads in the City and East End should be kept clear of snow and gravelled every day from the beginning of November to the end of the following April, each year, "in order," as testatrix said, "to secure good footing for the feet of horses and other animals." One thousand five hundred pounds was left by this considerate and thoughtful lady to form a travelling trust-fund.

In Inglewood, however, testators seem to have felt that it could not be fair to withdraw the comforts their pets had been used to during their lifetime. One lady, whose cat had been accustomed to meat soup twice a day, served in clean silver soup plates, left sufficient money for a continuance of this sumptuous feeding, with minute instructions as to the seasoning and flavouring of the soup, and the sizes of the pieces of bread to be added thereto.

#### £150 a Year for a Cat.

The mistress of a black cat without a single white hair bequeathed it, with £150 a year for its support, to an old servant. At the cat's death or loss the money was to revert to her nephew. As black cats are reputed to be long-livers, the nephew, to expedite matters, surreptitiously obtained possession of his enemy, fastened it in a basket in company with some bricks, and

dropped it over Waterloo Bridge. The old servant, however, anticipating some such trick, had taken the precaution of purchasing a duplicate black cat very similar in appearance, which was dozing contentedly on the hearth rug when nephew called to see how his "poor aunt's dear cat" was getting on.

Mr. Berkeley, residing at Knightsbridge, was owner of a dog which on a memorable occasion saved his master's life. When the dog died the gratitude was transferred to the four descendants, who were each bequeathed a pension of £25 a year. At the close of a long illness, feeling that his end was approaching, Mr. Berkeley had the dogs lifted on to the bed, and, caressing them with touching fondness, literally died in their paws. The busts of these four dogs were subsequently engraved on the four corners of his tomb.

#### Ungrateful Legatee.

Persons selected by testators to look after their pets do not always regard their duties as sacred. Some few years since a Mr. Edmett left his favourite servant, Elizabeth Robbins, £50 a year, on condition that she took charge of his favourite dog. At the time the will was made the favourite animal was dead. But he died, and was succeeded by Sambo. On Mr. Edmett's death Elizabeth Robbins claimed the £50, but remained Sambo, and the Vice-Chancellor declared she was legally entitled to do so. At the same time the Court hoped "that the applicant would temper justice with mercy."

An enthusiastic admirer of horses was the late Mrs. Bell, of Streatham, who directed that £50 a year should be set aside for the keep of a horse which had belonged to her late husband. The animal was to be kept in a comfortable and properly-warmed house, to do no work in or out of harness, was not to be ridden by any member of her husband's family, but by a person of light weight not more than four days a week, and not more than one hour each day.

A lady left 100 guineas a year for the keep of a parrot, which was to be produced twice a year, "to prove that the person tending it had not wrung its neck."

## Reflections.

The Bill which proposes a method of preventing publicans who have committed no fault from having their living taken away from them without recompense, does credit both to the good sense and to the sense of justice of the Government. Everyone agrees that there are too many public-houses. Yet no but extreme teetotal fanatics would like to bring about a reduction in their number by harshly depriving honest and respectable people of their means of livelihood.

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On the other hand, there is no disposition on the part of the nation to compensate these people for the loss of their licences out of the national purse. The "trade" will not like paying compensation itself, but that is what the Bill, if it becomes law, will make them do. On the whole, it is as good a solution of the difficulty as could be found. The teetotal fanatics will not get the number of licences reduced so quickly as they would like, but in such matters it is a great mistake to go ahead too fast at once. When the extremists on either side are both discontented, it is generally safe to assume that a sensible decision has been reached.

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How different life would be if we always had such weather as we have been enjoying lately! Sunshine not only makes people feel well, it makes them do their work better. It fills them with the real joy of living. When the skies are blue and the world warm and bright, we can without difficulty

Put away life-hating狠心，And cultivate a cheerful disposition.

Bad temper and depression have been noticeably rare during the past ten days.

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Of course, one gets tired, in time, even of perpetual sunshine. All who have been in India, or even in Italy, know how they sometimes long for a grey day to break the monotony. But that is merely because human nature, especially British human nature, thirsts for variety. The fact

remains that people in sunshiny lands are happier by disposition than those who inhabit cloudy climes. For one thing, they do not have to work so hard. For another, they can live more in the open air. Yet we enjoy the sun more than they do, because he is to us a luxury; so perhaps the balance is not so very uneven after all.

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While the London General omnibus conductors in London are being obliged to wear bowler hats instead of caps, there is a movement afoot in Bristol for going about with bare heads, like the Bluecoat boys. Men's headgear might certainly be improved upon, but we doubt whether the "No Hat" craze will last longer than the "No Breakfast" notion of a shore while back. Why, by the way, do not the omnibus companies take a hint from the County Council and put their men into uniforms? It would immensely improve the appearance of the streets.

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Match-makers (not the matrimonial, but the other kind) are rejoicing over the Chancellor of the Exchequer's decision that more moisture may be allowed in tobacco. It will cause smokers to use more matches, because their favourite mixture, being damper, will not burn so well. Mistresses of households will find it harder work than ever to keep enough match-boxes about to satisfy their pipe-smoking husbands and sons.

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I feel much sympathy with a correspondent—Mr. W. Friend, of Norland-square, Kensington—who calls attention to the need, so many people feel for a good music-lending library.

There cannot be the slightest doubt that the present means for obtaining music on library terms delivered free to subscriber's residence are quite inadequate. The reason for this is to be found in the fact that capital and musical enthusiasm and appreciation are rarely to be found in the same direction. Thousands of subscribers are waiting in town and country. A music-loving Carnegie should come to the front and finance a scheme, the possibilities of which are unlimited.

Why, instead of appealing to Mr. Carnegie, does not Mr. Friend organise these thousands of possible subscribers and set the thing going on a self-supporting basis?

## OUR SERIAL.

### Stage-Struck.

By SIDNEY WARWICK.

#### PERSONS OF THE STORY.

JANET DEDSBOROUGH: A beautiful girl anxious, against her parent's wish, to go on the stage. She has undoubtedly dramatic talent.

JOHN GRAY: A barrister in love with Janet who has, however, refused him.

HERBERT DAVENTRY: A soundlessly actor who, got himself introduced to her, and has married her in order to live on her earnings as an actress. At the time of their honeymoon he is arrested for having committed fraud as a bogus theatrical agent.

Mrs. ROSS: Janet's Aunt, with whom she was staying in London at the time when Daventry lured her into a secret marriage.

"Marlborough-street Police Court, madam," said the taller man civilly.

"May I go with him to—to learn the worst?"

"Yes, madam."

The train stopped. Even in her state of stupification Janet saw with a sudden sense of relief that the train had entered by one of the centre platforms, by the side of which was drawn up a row of cabs; they would go in a cab, she supposed. They would only have to walk a few yards—her husband would at any rate be spared the ordeal of walking through the length of the station, followed by a gazing crowd. Janet was fine woman enough to think nothing of her own feelings at that moment, but only of his.

You had better get out first, ma'am, and go to the cab," said the detective in charge to Janet, after speaking to the guard who came to the door. He added a few words to the official in a low voice about the prisoner's luggage—that would have to be searched by the police.

The vehicle rattled along the familiar street towards Hyde Park Corner. Janet found her thoughts going back to the time little more than two months ago when she had driven through the streets from a London terminus for the first time, and the wonder and the newness of it had been a sheer joy to her. Would she ever feel happy again?

They drove along in silence. Once, as she met his eyes, she tried to force a smile; but his face frightened her; she dared not look at him; she had to turn her eyes away. Piccadilly was crowded. People laughed and talked gaily as they passed out of the islands in the roadway—a pretty girl was waiting to cross; a boy of twenty—one—a boy with a nice face—was with her; they looked so radiant that Janet felt sure that they must be sweethearts. She had looked as happy as that once—not so many weeks ago.

Were they in Bond-street now? Surely this was the street through which she and Herbert had driven to the tea-shop on the first afternoon she had met him in London. Would they pass it, Janet wondered, and would her husband think of that afternoon? No, they were turning off to the right; they would not pass it; somehow she felt rather glad. Janet was wondering how much longer the ordeal of the drive would continue when the cab stopped. Opposite was the door of the police court.

A sudden deadly nausea seized her; for an instant she thought she was going to faint again. Her husband's evident terror affected her. She could see that he was trembling from head to foot; his lips moved, but no sound came. Determinedly she pinched herself together, and then she touched his hand gently.

"Herbert," she whispered, "I believe implicitly in your innocence."

Did he hear? He did not answer; he gave no sign.

She stepped down on to the pavement. Herbert Daventry could not walk steadily; as he was led through the forbidding doors, Janet followed. He was taken into the charge office—a small room across which a high-breath partition ran. Behind at a desk sat the inspector who took the charges. Daventry was put into the raised dock in the middle of the room, the swinging bar was dropped into its place, and closed him in. Janet sank upon a bench.

The inspector took the deposition of the officer who had arrested him; a police clerk entered the charge. Information had been received at Scotland Yard that in Brighton the prisoner Herbert Daventry had been identified as the man Mortimer, for whose arrest a warrant had been issued for fraud in connection with a bogus theatrical company; he had been watched in Brighton whilst inquiries were made, and arrested on his return to London. Daventry listened to the charge in a state of nervous excitement; he clasped and unclasped his hands, he shifted his weight uneasily from one foot to the other. His mouth seemed so dry that he could scarcely articulate. When the inspector turned and suddenly addressed him he started visibly.

He had called a four-wheeler, telling the cabman to drive to Craven-street, Strand. She lay back in the cab with a sudden sense of thankfulness. As he had said, she was not in a fit state to go hunting for a room; she felt too weak and worn out.

She broke the silence once to ask about her luggage; she had only just remembered it.

"It will be waiting still in Victoria Station," she cried.

"It shall be sent to your rooms, madam," he said. He did not add that the police were looking after and thoroughly ransacking it for letters and documents.

As she lay in bed next morning the remembrance gradually came back to Janet of the good-natured sergeant taking her to a house in Craven-street, and leaving her in the care of a motherly old body, who had called her "desire," and had repeatedly told her not to "worry." It had been kind of the sergeant. She realised that she might have had difficulty in finding a room. Her luggage had been sent. She wondered why her husband's had not been sent, too.

She lay in bed looking at the hideous pattern of the wallpaper, wondering what the day would bring forth. If Herbert were innocent, of course, he was innocent surely the magistrate would release him to-day; they could not be so cruel as to keep him in prison.

In her pity a new tenderness seemed to have been born. She was a woman, and he, her husband, was in trouble. She had forgotten the doubts, the disillusionment that had been in her mind as she looked back at those three weeks and the journey from Brighton. He was her husband, she only remembered that, and he was in trouble. Once it had blown over, as it surely must, since he could not be other than innocent, how tender and gentle she would be. He would look to her for sympathy; she would show him that her faith had never wavered, that she had known he could not be other than innocent.

There was a tap at the door.

"Come in,"

The maid entered; she was a plump, rosy-faced woman, who beamed on Janet, as she appeared with a little tray of tea and toast.

"I hope you've slept well, my dear. I thought as how you might want to be early this morning, or I wouldn't have disturbed you, and here's a letter."

"A letter?" It must be from her husband!

"A letter!" handing it to her; yes it was addressed in Daventry's handwriting. "I've just brought you up some tea and a bit of toast, and you can have breakfast when you like downstairs."

"Thank you, I shall not want anything more than this," said Janet, impatient to be alone.

Eagerly Janet tore open the letter.

"My dearest Janet,—The scoundrels who have subjected me to the ignominy of arrest have not (to my surprise) been so utterly callous as to refuse to allow me to communicate with you. I am writing these lines in prison. I need not assert to you my utter innocence of this charge—such acts as I am charged with would be wholly foreign and repugnant to my nature—but I may have difficulty in disproving it; the police, having gone so far as to arrest me, may possibly permit a gross miscarriage of justice rather than be proved to have been at fault. I appeal before the magistrate tomorrow morning. You must come to the court early, without fail—much depends on you—HUMPHREY DAVENTRY."

"Much depends on you," repeated Janet, puzzled; "what can he mean?"

Of course he would go. But what could she do that would help him?

Yet her husband must think she could, for he had doubly underlined the words.

To be continued to-morrow.

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The two men in plain clothes, quite unruffled, exchanged a surreptitious wink.

"It's all right, Janet," went on Daventry, still in the loud, blustering voice; "they'll soon find they have no shadow of justification for this monstrous charge. I wouldn't like to be in their shoes. There's justice left in England yet, thank God, as they'll have cause to know!" His attempt to carry off matters with a high hand was rather pitiful; his voice was high-pitched; an occasional sobbing catch in his breath made his sentences staccato.

The short run from Grosvenor-road lengthened into minutes, as the train was kept waiting outside Victoria; at last they steamed slowly into the terminus, and for the first time Janet found her voice.

"Where are you going to take my husband?" she asked. She scarcely recognised her own voice.

## CITY AND SUBURBAN.

**Robert le Diable Wins the Great Epsom Handicap for Lord Carnarvon.**

## SANDOWN SELECTIONS.

Lord Carnarvon's Robert le Diable created a not unusual surprise of the Epsom brand by readily winning the City and Suburban Handicap yesterday from twenty opponents. All the most fancied division were beaten out of place, and probably Lord Carnarvon himself, as well as his trainer, did not expect to see their candidate achieve such a triumph. At any rate, there was no indication in the market that this betting stable had the least confidence in the horse, and he started at 40 to 1.

One should revert to the usually magnificent character of a Derby gathering rather than to the Spring Meeting for a parallel to the scene observed yesterday before the numbers were hoisted for the big race. It seemed to have beaten the record. The King arrived a little after one o'clock, accompanied by Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Lord Farquhar, and his numerous Commander Fortescues. The Duke of Devonshire, Lord Durham, and Lord Harewood were among the earliest arrivals, and on the club stand one saw most of the best-known patricians of the Turf.

From the earliest hours in the morning it was evident that the attendance would be on a mammoth scale. The roads were crowded with all manner of vehicles—motor-cars, four-in-hand coaches, four-horsed braces, and the hundred-and-one types of trap used by Londoners where west and east combine, and the East End contributed the largest proportion to the bizarre character of the show. The day was of the brightest, and marvellous dictum one heard throughout the afternoon that the sun was a scorcher. It blazed with great power. Fields, orchards, hedgerows, and woodland were bright with verdure and bloom, for the late warmth and gentle winds have awakened the countryside. The valley, stretching across a lovely bit of picturesqueness, in the view from the top of Banstead Downs, lay in a haze, but on the course there was a splendidly clear view from the stands—a perfect light for seeing the racing.

## G. McCall Suspended.

The Stewards of the Jockey Club—Lord Durham, Mr. Arthur James, and Col. E. W. Baird—were present. Lord Rosebery, usually a steward at Epsom, was not among the distinguished folk in the enclosure, but his son, Lord Daimeny, was one of the Devoutive party. The Stewards first mentioned held an inquiry into the complaint lodged by Mr. R. C. Dawson against George McCall for foul riding in the Great Metropolitan Stakes on the previous day, and, finding it to be an extenuated justification, ordered McCall's licence to be suspended from April 21 to May 14. Thus McCall will not be able to ride Mark Time in the Chester Cup—the race wherein it was hoped compensation would be found for the defeat suffered in the "Metropolitan." No one, of course, believed the unkindest jockey to be capable of deliberate foul play. He has himself in private accidents been severely hurt several times at Epsom. But reckless riding, especially on such a course, deserves the gravest censure.

The minor races were not without big interest, but all seemed agog concerning the chief prize, and while Harry Melton had proved his claim to high rank among three-year-olds by running away with the Apprentices' Plate, and the Tedworth Plate, yielded redress to Mr. Blenkiron in the ready win for Pegaway colt, which beat Mr. George Edwards's Aspendale, there was heavy wagering of significance current in the ring. Hackler's Pride was displaced by Niphethos in the market, and the twenty-one candidates finally ranged from 66 to 6 to 1 within a short time after Blue Diamond had again shown a liking for the course by capturing the Kingswood Handicap. This horse scored mainly owing to the quickness of his jockey, Halsey, who had taken an advantage secured in the best berth at the start. Wild Gander was co-favourite with Blue Diamond, but the former destroyed his chance through fretting and fractiousness at the barrier.

## Scene in the Paddock.

Many persons went down to the beautiful paddock, adjoining Lord Rosebery's seat, the Durdans, to see the candidates for the big handicap, as they were saddled. The general verdict was that the competitors were an average lot. Some, such as Dumbarston Castle, were obviously backward in condition. He is naturally a thick, round-barrelled horse, yet he did not want much keenness to see him as far as his gross price in the betting, 66 to 1. Everybody caught with eagerness Hackler's Pride, a wide, level-built mare, whose chief charm lies in her beautiful action. Niphethos, the Australian-bred one, who had caused such a sensation at the eleventh hour, is very very handsome, of exquisite quality all round, and a very good size. The biggest of the troop—namely, Achaeus, Kroonstad, and Prince Royal—showed most improvement through recent training. Kroonstad came next in size to Achaeus, and showed to great advantage beside Mr. Arthur James's horse. The brown Prince Royal, like most of his breed, was plentifully marked with white, with three white legs and a blaze face. Another brown horse, Kano, who is perhaps the best of the Trentons, caught the eye. He was expected to run well, but handsome as he is he turned out the greatest failure in the race. Ceriser, recently sold by Lord Mansfield Beresford, now carried Lord Westbury's patchwork silks. This horse was, as usual, attended by Chacomac. He looked ever so much better than at Lincoln, and as the sequel showed ran creditably, but had to put up with the barren honours of a place.

Some unnecessary delay occurred in the preliminaries, and it was some twenty minutes beyond the appointed time before the white flag was hoisted at the barrier. Buses, who, as usual, looked fit, displayed some temerity behind the tapes; and Muriel II., and Dumbarston Castle also were a bit shy. All eyes were on Niphethos, the well-known repugnance to the barrier was expected to give trouble. The mare stood fairly quiet, but was excessively nervous and the sweat poured from her handsome coat. She got away very well when the signal was given, and at such speed as to be able to cross over from the extreme right-hand division and take a place after a furlong as third to Love Charm and Bass Rock. That pair, with the favourite, raced up the hill at the head of the troupe

and kept their position right down to Tattenham Corner, where Niphethos was beaten. Meantime, Kano was toiling along as whipper-in. Prince Royal also travelled very badly. All the leaders gave way when reaching the straight, and though momentary shouts were raised below the distance for Hackler's Pride, she got no nearer than third for a fraction of a second, and at this point Robert le Diable shot out on the rails, and in a few strides decided the race. Dean Swift swerved badly, but was going great guns at the finish, and beat Ceriser for second place. Bachelor's Button raced up fourth, and Hackler's Pride could get no nearer than seventh. It was a fine contest, and no excuse was possible for any of the beaten.

## SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

2. 0—Juvenile Plate—LUCKY GIRL.
2. 30—Esher Stakes—MORGENDALE.
3. 0—Princess of Wales's Handicap—XENY.
3. 0—Trial Plate—SEMPER VIVENT.
4. 0—Cobham Plate—REFINER.
4. 30—Maiden Plate—RETRIEVER.

## GREY FRIARS.

## RACING RETURNS.

## EPSOM.—WEDNESDAY.

1.30—APPRENTICES' PLATE of 200 sows. The Derby Courses (about one mile and a half).  
Mr. H. E. Parker's HARRY MELTON, by Metton-Mattie, 3 yrs., 9 st. 10 lbs. ... Trig 1  
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's BELLEVUE TOR, by Syra, 3 yrs., 9 st. 10 lbs. ... Plant 1  
Mr. W. Goodchild's SCHINAPPES, 4 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ... Waits 3  
Mr. L. de Rothchild's ALL HOT, 4 yrs., 7 st. 13 lbs. ... East 1  
Mr. A. H. Ross's CONWAY II, (Syra, 8 st. 2 lbs.), Bonanza (4 yrs., 7 st. 12 lbs.), Rayleigh (Syra, 8 st. 2 lbs.), East 1, ... West 1  
Somerton (Syra, 8 st. 2 lbs.), Fair Saint (Syra, 8 st. 10 lbs.), Graciella (Syra, 6 st. 9 lbs.), Susie (Syra, 7 st. 10 lbs.)

Betting—2 to 1 on Harry Melton, 3 to 1 on Bellevue Tor, 3 to 1 on Schinappes. Won in a canter by eight lengths; two lengths separated the second and third.

2.0—TADDEUS PLATE (handicap) of 200 sows. New Course (about one mile and a half).  
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's O BY PRIDE—PEGAWAY, 5 yrs., 7 st. 5 lbs. ... Hunter 1  
Mr. G. Edwards's ASPENDALE, 3 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ...

Mrs. J. Rogers's MARIALVA, aged 8 st. 13 lbs. ... Plant 2

Mr. A. E. Elkins's QUEEN'S HORSE, 4 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ... Excellent (aged, 8 st. 11 lbs.) Consequence (Syra, 7 st. 10 lbs.), Eastern Prince (4 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs.), Black and Grey (Syra, 8 st. 10 lbs.), The Duke (Syra, 7 st. 10 lbs.), Smiths (Syra, 8 st. 10 lbs.), Castlegate (Syra, 7 st. 10 lbs.), Coronation Red (Syra, 8 st. 10 lbs.), Roburite (Syra, 7 st. 10 lbs.)

(Winner trained by W. Nightingall)

Betting—3 to 1 on Pegaway, cold, 6 to 1 on Queen's Horse.

Most Excellent Consequence, The Chak, Eastgate, and Muriel II. to 8 to Mount Prospect's Pride, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by a head; two lengths between the second and third.

2.5—KINGSWOOD PLATE (a Handicap) of 200 sows; New Course (about one mile and a half).  
Mr. E. Foster's BLUE DIAMOND, by Sir S. C. Crown Jewel, aged, 9 st. 5 lbs. ... Halsey 1

Mr. A. E. Clark's LADY FALSESTON, 5 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ... W. Lane 2

Mr. W. G. Steven's F DESPAIR—EDIE HOPSON, 5 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ... Hunter 1

Mr. J. C. Smith's mixed brood, 4 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs. ... Muriel II. and Wild Gander (4 yrs., 8 st. 10 lbs.)

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## THE CITY.

**Far East and Epsom Make Business Dull.**

There were several adverse features to influence the stock markets yesterday. The fine weather took many race-goers to Epsom, public business was much quiet, and the Alexeoff resignation-rumours were not liked. There was also a rumour that Pori Arthur had fallen. The foreign bourses took the news amiss, and, although they rallied subsequently, their influence was a bad one.

Consols and other gilt-edged stocks declined, as the market was put under pressure in the Budget. The Naval loan however proved to have been a success being over-subscribed by the public, and the lists closing two days in advance of the advertised time.

The Home Railways traffic was satisfactory, seeing that the connection was not Easter Monday week last year. But the market was slacker. A feeble attempt was made to rally American Rail, and other railway stocks were up though the Foreign Railway way traffics were really excellent.

In the mining sections there was also a more depressed tendency, though Kafirs were up. The general market was that nobody seemed particularly anxious to sell. This indeed is a favourable feature all round the Bourse. A little fresh Colonial selling of some of the West African shares is reported, notwithstanding what the markets considered a satisfactory Gold Coast Amalgamated report, the West African section.

The shares were quite unaffected by Budget considerations. This seemed to surprise some of the dealers, but after all, tea shares are more dealt in outside the Stock Exchange than in.

One where the trade was much slacker than any to which the markets have been accustomed during recent weeks, and, in the circumstances, prices held up very well.

## LATEST MARKET PRICES.

\* The "Daily Illustrated Mirror" prices are the latest available. Until the close of our contemporaries, we take special care to obtain the last quotations in the Street markets after the official close of the Stock Exchange.

The following are the closing prices for the day:

Consols 2 p.c.	88d	88d	Welsbach Ord.	1
Do Account	88d	88d		
India 3 p.c.	90d	90d	Anglo-French	32d
London C. C. 3 pc	9d	9d	Austrian G. M.	2d
Argentine Fund 1/2d	10d	10d	Barns Co.	2d
British 4 pc	88d	76	Champs Elysées	1d
China 5 pc	100d	97	Clydebank	2d
Egyptian 1/2d	10d	10d	City & Sub.	2d
Jap. 1pc Gd.	98d	91	Gold G. S.A.	6d
K. S. 4 pc	100d	92	Crown Roof	1d
S. Afr. 4 pc	100d	92	Con. Pers. New	22d
Turkish 1/2d	10d	10d	East Rand	7d
Brighton Def.	11d	10d	E. Rand. M. Est.	4d
Calcutta Def.	3d	2d	Geduld	6d
Great Eastern	2d	2d	Goldschmid	5d
Gr. Northern Def.	2d	2d	Gold Coast Amt.	5d
Great Western	12d	10d	Gold Horsemen	2d
Hillman 1/2d	10d	10d	Gold Pers. New	22d
North British Def.	4d	3d	Gr. Eng. Ind.	2d
North Eastern	13d	10d	Ivanhoe	2d
North Western	14d	10d	Ish. Con. In.	2d
South East Def.	15d	10d	Lake View Cons.	2d
Atchison	7d	6d	M. Consol. Red	4d
Chi. Mill. & S. Pl.	147	147	Meyer & Clark	6d
Edin. 1/2d	10d	10d	Middleton	10d
U.S. & N.W. Pacific	11	11	Mysore Gold	6d
Southern Pacific	4d	3d	N. Wall. Y.	1d
Union Pacific	8d	7d	N. Copper	2d
U. S. Steel Ord.	11	11	N. W. Plym. Dog	1d
Vicksburg	6d	6d	Oreana	1d
Rosario Consol'd	94	95	Oroya Br. Whirlw.	2d
Canadian Pacific	91	95	Principe (New)	2d
Gd. Trk. 1st Profiling	102d	92	Rio Pinto	2d
Aerated Bread	9d	8d	R. Min. & Ind.	10d
Hove Bay	2d	2d	Sons G. W.	2d
Lipton	18d	18d	St. Devol.	1d
L. & L. D. Df. Ord.	7d	7d	Wadhi	1d
N. Iron's	17	17	Wassau	1d
Switzerland Auto.	10	10	W.-Gleicht	7
Victoria Marine	12	12	Zambesi Explor.	1d
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## DIVING FROM DEATH.

How the Grand Duke Saved Himself and Another.

To Mr. Hands, the "Daily Mail" correspondent at Harbin, the Grand Duke Cyril has related his miraculous escape after the explosion on the Petrovskov.

He says he swammed hand over hand from the bridge and made his way to the barbette.

He reached the port and dived, and now recalls how that, while diving, the thought flashed across his mind that he must dive deep and swim as far as possible before rising, as that was his only chance of clearing the imminently sinking ship. So he dived down, down and outwards with all the force of an athletic, practised swimmer, until his temples were bursting with the effort of retaining his breath. Then he struck upwards.

He had, however, dived so deep that it seemed as though he would never reach the surface, but at last light came and he reached the air and supported himself while he filled his lungs.

He seized a piece of floating wreckage, to which he assisted another struggling swimmer, and he then looked round for the Petrovskov.

She was not to be seen.

## UNITED STATES TO NUMBER 49.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

The House of Representatives to-day passed a Bill providing for the creation of a new State from each of the territories of Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and the Indian territory.

The Federal Republic at present consists of forty-five partially independent States and five organised and two unorganised territories.

The Bill is a recognition of the increasing civilisation and population of the territories, which formerly were unable to justify the claim to rank as States now allowed them.

## KAISER'S VIEW OF ETNA.

CATANIA, Wednesday.

The Emperor William landed here this morning and was welcomed by the authorities. His Majesty immediately left for Nicolo to obtain a view of Mount Etna. The inhabitants accorded the Emperor a very hearty reception.—Reuters.

## M.C.C. AUSTRALIAN TEAM v. THE REST.

Although not definitely fixed, the match between the Australian team and the Rest of England will, in all probability, be played at Lord's on May 9, 10, 11. Mr. P. F. Warner would have much preferred the original date—June 10—but had to leave the country entirely in the hands of the committee of the M.C.C.

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